

THAILAND



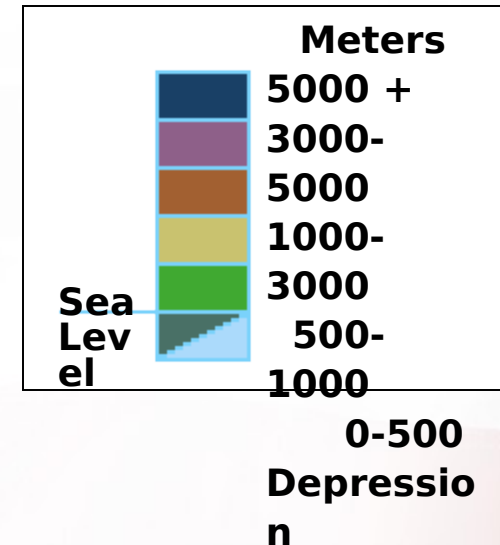
- Industrial Growth
- Environmental Challenges



Thailand: Environmental Issues

- Topography
- Climate

Tropical; rainy, warm, cloudy southwest monsoon (mid-May to September); dry, cool northeast monsoon (November to mid-March); southern isthmus always hot and humid



Terrain: central plain; Korat Plateau in the east; mountains elsewhere Elevation extremes:

***lowest point:* Gulf of Thailand 0 ft**

***highest point:* Doi Inthanon 8,500 ft**

Thailand: Environmental Issues

- Industries
 - Poor enforcement of environmental laws
- Air
 - Contamination from cars, industrial construction and open air burning
- Food
 - Contamination with fecal pathogens
- Soil
 - Localized contamination from industrial waste
- Water
 - Contamination from untreated domestic and industrial wastes



THAILAND “SNAPSHOT”

- Environmental Health Risks

- Contaminated food and water
- High heat and humidity
- Natural disasters
- Localized air pollution

- Infectious Diseases

- Dengue fever
- Diarrhea
- Hepatitis A and B
- Japanese encephalitis
- Leptospirosis
- Malaria
- Rabies